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NOTICE

TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS GENERAL ORDER FOR DAIRIES WITH MANURE ANAEROBIC DIGESTER OR CO-DIGESTER FACILITIES

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND AGENCIES:

The Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Dairies with Manure Anaerobic Digester or Co-Digester Facilities (Tentative Order) is available for public comment, as explained in the enclosed Notice of Public Hearing. The Tentative Order and additional information are available electronically on the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Central Valley Water Boards) web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/

The Central Valley Water Board has not reviewed or made any decision concerning the Tentative Order, which may be revised following the comment period. Revised documents along with comments and the staff responses will be posted on the above web site and placed in the meeting agenda. Instructions for submitting written comments, instructions for participating at the scheduled public hearing, and other relevant information are provided in the Notice of Public Hearing.

Any comments or recommendations you may have concerning the tentative WDRs should be submitted to this office in writing by noon on 29 October 2010 in order that consideration may be given them prior to the meeting of the Central Valley Water Board.

If you have any questions regarding the Tentative Order, or if you wish to request paper copies, please contact David Sholes at (559) 445-6279.

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Enclosure: Notice of Public Hearing

California Environmental Protection Agency



CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
1685 E Street, Fresno, California 93706

PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS GENERAL ORDER
FOR
DAIRIES WITH MANURE ANAEROBIC DIGESTER
OR CO-DIGESTER FACILITIES**

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has released a tentative Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Dairies with Manure Anaerobic Digester or Co-Digester Facilities (Order). The proposed Order will serve as general Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for discharges of dairy and dairy manure digester or co-digester waste from dairy facilities with manure anaerobic digesters or co-digesters. This Order will apply to the owners of land upon which a dairy digester or a dairy co-digester is located, the owners of the dairy and the dairy digester or co-digester facility and/or the operators of the dairy and the dairy digester or co-digester facilities.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 8, 9 or 10 December 2010
TIME: To be specified in final meeting agenda (see below).
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region
11020 Sun Center Drive #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670-6114

The tentative Order was issued on 29 September 2010. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by noon on **1 November 2010**. Written materials submitted after noon on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Valley Water Board Chair.

All interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Central Valley Water Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Central Valley Water Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative Order should contact David Sholes at (559) 445-6279. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of

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these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the office of the Central Valley Water Board at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, 93706, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.


The final meeting agenda will be available at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/ at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Central Valley Water Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.



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